

Docket No.: 0010-1057-0

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
YOSHIHIRO USUDA ET AL : EXAMINER: FRONDA, C. L.
SERIAL NO. : 09/441,055 :
FILED: NOVEMBER 16, 1999 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1652
FOR: METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-METHIONINE BY FERMENTATION

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated November 4, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and restated remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Support for the Amendment appears on page 7 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.